

Become an Original Cosponsor of the **Secure Accountability For Emigres and Refugees Act of 2015** **--SAFER ACT--**

Deadline: COB, Thursday, December 17, 2015

Dear Colleague:

After the attacks in Paris and San Bernardino, we have been reminded yet again that ISIS and other terrorist organizations will use any channel, including our generous legal immigration system, to inflict violence on western civilizations. The time has come to exercise our oversight role regarding the admission of refugees from Syria and Iraq. I strongly believe the number one role of the Federal Government is to keep the American people safe. We must stop admission of refugees from Syria and Iraq until and unless we can fully vet these individuals.

On a bipartisan basis, the House passed the SAFE Act (HR 4038) on November 19, 2015. That bill empowered our security agencies to set strict requirements for entry as refugees and halted admissions until such standards are set. That is why I am introducing a bill, the SAFER Act, that would define the requirements to fully vet Syrian and Iraqi refugees before they can be admitted into the United States

- **All Syrian and Iraqi refugees regardless of background or religious affiliation must pass a certified polygraph examination.** A polygraph will be essential in determining whether a refugee is truly coming to the United States to escape oppression or if they are coming here with possibly violent intentions. It is also necessary since for many refugees we only have their word to rely on as to who they are, where they are from and why they are coming here. There are no corresponding government databases to verify their claims nor is there the ability to conduct a sufficient background check due to the conflicts in the region and displacement of entire communities.
- **All Syrian and Iraqi refugees regardless of background or religious affiliation must agree to provide biometric data and have that data retained and compared to known databases in order to validate they have no known history of terrorist activities.**
- **All Syrian and Iraqi refugees regardless of background or religious affiliation must agree to provide DNA samples and have those samples retained and compared to known databases in order to validate they have no known history of terrorist activities.**
- **All Syrian and Iraqi refugees will be subject to a background check that includes an investigation of all online activity, including posts to social media.**

Our first obligation to the American people is to provide for their safety. The current vetting process is woefully inadequate and could be exploited by our enemies to attack American's here at home. That is why I have introduced legislation to add these requirements to the Syrian and Iraqi refugee vetting process. I ask that you would join me in supporting this legislation. If you would like to become a co-sponsor, or if you have questions please email Rebecca Keightley at rebecca.keightley@mail.house.gov or call 51986.

Sincerely,



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